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FOR SCA, VO, SCS, PPT, AND ARA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CGEN, AR

SUBJECT: "CONSULAR PACKAGE" - FY 1979

REF: A) STATE 087841, B) STATE 090362, C) STATE 097063

AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES HEREBY SUBMITS ITS "CONSULAR PACKAGE"
FY 1979. (FOOTNOTES ARE INDICATED BY LETTERS IN PARENTHESIS.)
THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN CLEARED WITH EMBASSY'S ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICER AND WITH THE CHARGE.

SCHEDULE I - IMMIGRANT VISAS

ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
	10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78
	TO	TO	TO	TO
	9/30/76	9/30/77	9/30/78	9/30/78
);. IV'S ISSUED	2254	2800	3400	3400
2. IV'S REF'D	800	1000	1200	1200
3. TOTAL IV				
CASES	3054	3800	4600	4600

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MAN-HOURS:

AMERICAN:

4. TPERM	2865(A)	27002	29002	2900
5. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
6. PIT	0	0	0	0
7. AMERSUBTOTAL	2865(A)	2700	2900	2900

LOCAL:

8. FTPERM	14,170(B)	15,400	17,000	17,000
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9. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
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10. PIT	130	1,600	0	0
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1111. LOCAL SUB-

TOT.	164,300(B)	17,000	17,000	17,000
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12. TOTAL IV	17,165(C)	19,700	19,900	19.*00
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1313. USE OF INTERPRETER: LESS THAN ONE PER CENT.

1414. THIR COUNTRY CEHCK: 40 PER CENT.

FOOTNOTES TO SCHEDULE I:

(-) INCLUDES 377 "GENERAL" HOURS ALLOCATED TO IV FROM HOURS WORKED BY EMPLOYEES HAVING RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEVERAL CONSULAR UNITS.

(B) INCLUDES 961 GENERAL HOURS. BUT NOT 960 HOURS SPENT ON INS SERVICES.

(C) INCLUDES 1338 GENERAL HOURS, BUT NOT 960 HOURS SPENT ON INS SERVICES.

SCHEDULE II - NON-IMMIGRANT VISA

ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE
10/1/75	10/1/76	10/1/77	10/1/78
TO	TO	TO	TO
9/20/76	9/30/77	9/30/78	9/30/79

15. NIV'S

ISSUED	32,655	37,000(D)	37,000	37,000
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16. NIV'S

REF'D	8,763(E)	99,000	9,000	9,000
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17. TOT.NIV

CASES	41,418	46,000	50,000	55,000
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MAN-HOURS:

AMERICAN:

18. FTPERM	4,059(F)	5,300	5,600	6,100
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19. TEMP DETAIL	588	0	0	0
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20. PIT	0	0	0	0
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21. AMER SUB-

TOTAL.	4,647(F)	5,300	5,600	6,100
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LOCAL:

22. FT PERM	11,788(G)	13,800	15,000	16,500
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23. TEMP DETAIL	13	0	0	0
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24. FIT	407	0	0	0
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25. LOCAL

SUBTOT.	12,208	13,800	15,000	16,500
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26. TOTAL

NIV	16,855(H)	19,100	20,600	22,600
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27. NIV FEES \$6,356.50

28. BC CARDS 0

29. CREWLIST

VISAS	52
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30. NAMES ON

CLV	1,424
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31. INTERVIEWS: 75 PER CENT (E)

32. USE OF INTERPRETER: LESS THAN ONE PER CENT

33. THIRD COUNTRY CHECK: FIVE PER CENT

FOOTNOTES TO SCHEDULE II:

(D) NIV CASE INCREASE DUE TO INCREASE IN AFFINITY (CHARTER)

AIR FLIGHTS WITH THEIR LOW FARES, AND TO INCREASE IN

US DOLLAR TRANSFERS PERMITTED ARGENTINES BY GOA FOR

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(E) INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE OF NIV CASES INTERVIEWED (FROM 60 PERCENT IN FY75 TO 75 PERCENT IN FY 76) CAUSED BY INCREASE IN CASES APPEARING TO BE MALA FIEDE, BECAUSE PURCHASING POWER OF PESO SALARIES CONTINUED TO DECREASE AND BELIEF GREW IN GREATER ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IN USA.

(F) INCLUDES 376 "GENERAL" HOURS ALLOCATED TO NIV FROM HOURS WORKED BY EMPLOYEES HAVING RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEVERAL CONSULAR UNITS.

(G) INCLUDES 1087 GENERAL HOURS.

(H) INCLUDES 1463 GENERAL HOURS.

SCHEDULE III - SPECIAL CONSULAR SERVICES

ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
34. AMCIT				
DEATHS	26	35	40	45
35. ESTATE/PROP.				
CLAIMS	0	0	0	0
36. NOTARIALS	6,520	8,200	8,500	8,500
37. W/W	430	350	370	400
38. ARRESTS	20	60	70	80
39. SHIP AND				
SEAMAN	26	40	45	50
40. OTHER				
AGENCY	826	1,050	1,100	1,100
41. TOTAL SCS	7,848	9,735	10,125	10,175

MAN-HOURS:

AMERICAN:
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	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
42. FT PERM	1,452	1,600	2,400	2,400
43. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
44. PIT	0	0	0	0
45. AMERICAN				
SUBTOT.	1,452(I)	1,600	2,400	2,400

LOCAL:

46. FT PERM	4,835(J)	5,000	5,000	5,000
47. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
48. PIT	0	0	0	0
49. LOCAL				
SUBTOT.	4,835(J)	5,000	5,000	5,000
50. TOTAL SCS	6,287(K)	6,600	7,400	7,400
51. TREASURY				
CHECKS	11,786			

FOOTNOTES TO SCHEDULE III

(I) INCLUDES 376 "GENERAL" HOURS ALLOCATED TO SCS FROM HOURS
WORKED BY EMPLOYEES HAVING RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEVERAL
CONSULAR UNITS.

(J) INCLUDES 1,192 GENERAL HOURS.

(K) INCLUDES 1,568 GENERAL HOURS.

SCHEDULE IV - CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT SERVICES

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ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

	FY-1975	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978
52. PA'S				
EXECUTED	1,041	1,200	1,300	1,400
53. PA'S				
EXAMINED	0	0	0	0
54. FEE PPT'S				
ISSUED	1,033	1,200	1,300	1,400
55. NO-FEE PPT'S				
ISSUED	8	5	5	5
56. PPT'S AMEN				
OR RXT.	99	110	120	130
57. NEW REG				
APPLIC.	879	900	1,000	1,100
58. BIRTH RPTS	42	80	90	##00
59. WIT. TO MAR-				
RIAGE	0	0	0	0
60. PPT WAIVERS	0	0	0	0
61. PPT SUBTOT.	3,102	3,495	3,815	4,135
62. IDENT. CARDS	2	2	2	2
63. TOTAL PPT	3,104	3,497	3,817	4,137

MAN-HOURS:

AMERICAN:

	FY-1976	FY-1977	FY-1978	FY-1979
64. FT PERM	1,431(L)	1,600	2,400	2,400
65. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
66. PIT	0	0	0	0
67. AMERICAN				
SUBTOT.	1,431(L)	1,600	2,400	2,400

LOCAL:

68. FT PERM	2,671(M)	2,700	2,700	2,700
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69. TEMP DETAIL	0	0	0	0
70 PIT	0	0	0	0
71. LOCAL SUB-				
TOTAL	2,671(M)	2,700	2,700	2,700
72. TOTAL PPT	4,102(N)	4,300	5,100	5,100
73. AMERICANS REGISTERED 3/31/77:	4,300			

AMERICAN CITIZEN RESIDENT:

74. OFFICIAL: 284

75. NON-OFFICIAL: 4,700

FOOTNOTES TO SCHEDULE IV:

(L) INCLUDES 376 "GENERAL" HOURS ALLOCATED TO PPT FROM HOURS
 A RKED BY EMPLOYEES HAVING RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEVERAL
 CONSULAR UNITS.

(M) INCLUDES 605 GENERAL HOURS.

(N) INCLUDES 981 GENERAL HOURS.

SCHEDULE V - CONDITIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS

ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

FY 1976

HOURS GAINED - AMERICAN LOCAL

OVERTIME	265	550
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DETAILS IN	0	0
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HOURS LOST - AMERICAN LOCAL

DETAILS OUT	0	0
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STAFFING GAPS	0	640(P)
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PROLONGED LEAVE	1,240(Q)	0
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VISAS	SCS	PPT	GENERAL	TOTAL
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76. AUTHORIZED

6/30/76	4	1/2	1/2	1	6
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77. AUTHORIZED

3/31/77	4	1	1	1	7
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78. FILLED

3/31/77	4	1	1	1	7
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INCREASE/DECREASE

79. REQUIRED FY

1978	0	0	0	0	0
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80. REQUIRED FY

1979	00	0	0	0	0
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LOCALS:

81. AUTHORIZED

6/30/76	15	2	1	2	20
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82. AUTHORIZED

3/31/77	16	2	1	2	21
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83. FILLED

3/31/77	16	2	1	2	21
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INCREASE/DECREASE

84. REQUIRED FY-1978:

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85. REQUIRED FY-1979: NO CHANGE OVER REQUIREMENTS FOR FY 1978.

FOOTNOTES TO SCHEDULE V:

(O) FOOTNOTE NOT USED.

(P) TIME LOST BETWEEN DEPARTURE OF LOCAL EMPLOYEES AND
EMPLOYMENT OF REPLACEMENTS, DELAYED BY WAIT FOR
SECURITY CLEARANCES.

(Q) TIME LOST BY HOME LEAVE TAKEN BY FOUR OFFICERS
DURING FY 1976.

(R) THESE THREE POSITIONS PREVIOUSLY JUSTIFIED. TWO
ARE TEMPORARY, AUTHORIZED 11/30/76 BECAUSE OF
(SCHEDULE V - CONDITIONS AND JUSTIFICATIONS, CONT.)
INCREASED WORKLOAD RESULTING FROM 1976 AMENDMENTS
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TO IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT, FILLED
1/10/77, AND BECOMING PERMENENT 7/1/77. THE THIRD
IS ONE OF TWO TEMPORARY POSITIONS AUTHORIZED
12/10/76 FOR NEW REFUGEE PAROLE PROGRAM, FILLED
1/12/77 AND 1/17/77 RESPECTIVELY, AND BECOMING
PERMANENT WHEN REFUGEE PROGRAM ENDS SOMETIME AFTER
6/1/77.
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SCHEDULE VI - FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC.

ARA: ARGENTINA, BUENOS AIRES

A. FEDERAL BENEFIT ACTIVITY

NO POSITIONS REIMBURSED BY SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION.

HOURS WORKED BY REGULAR (NONREIMBURSED) CONSULAR EMPLOYEES

IN 1976: AMERICAN - 25 HOURS, LOCAL 1,300 HOURS.

B. FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS

OURSIDE INVESTIGATIONS DONE BY SY.

OF CASES INVESTIGATED, 85 PERCENT OF VISAS AND 20

PER CENT PPT WERE FINALLY ISSUED. (NOTE: IN EVERY

BABY FRAUD CASE REQUIRING INVESTIGATION, THE SUSPECTED

FRAUD WAS CONFIRMED BY THE INVESTIGATION.)

C. U.S. CITIZENS IN JAIL 3/3/77: THREE

D. SERVICES FOR INS

ACTUAL ESTIMATED ESTIMATED ESTIMATED

FY1976 FY1977 FY-1978 FY1979

1. REENTRY

PERMIT EXTEN-

SIONS 206 210 220 230

2. I-151'S SUR-

RENDERED 240 250 260 270

3. INTERVIEWS AB-

OUT LOST/STOLEN

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I-151'S 50 50 50 50

(4.CLOSE-RELATIVE

VISA PETITIONS

FILED AT POST 130 285 300 300)

(5.RE-ENTRY PERM-

ITS DELIVERED

BY POST TO BEA-

RERS 300 300 300 300)

(6.I-151'S DELI-

VERED BY POST

TO BEARERS 10 10 10 10)

E. LOSS OF NATINA-

LITY CASES INCLU-

DING RENUNCIATIONS 7 3 5 5

F. FOUND PASSPORT

CASES PROCESSED 16 20 20 20

G. NO CONSULAR AGE-

NTS IN ARGENTINA

H. CONSULAR STAFFING PATTERN

AMERICAN POSITIONS:

AMCONSUL GENERAL FSO-3

PPT OFFICER FSO-4

VISA OFFICER FSO-4

SCS OFFICER FSO-6

VISA OFFICER FSO-6
CONSULAR OFFICER FSO-7
CONSULAR OFFICER FSO-5, ESTABLISHED 9/13/76,
AND FILLED 12/30/76.
SECRETARY FSS-10 TEMPORARY POSITION ES-
TABLISHED 1/14/77 FOR RE-
FUGEE PROGRAM, AND FILLED
1/17/77.

POCAL (GENERAL:

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FSL-6
CONSULAR ASSISTANT FSL-6

LOCAL (PPT AND SCS):

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PPT AND CITIZENSHIP

ESPECIALIST FSL-8
NOTARIAL ASSISTANT
(AND CASHIER) FSL-5
SCS SPECIALIST FSL-7
SCS ASSISTANT FSL-6

LOCAL (VISA FILES):

TWO (2) VISA
RECORDS CLERKS FSL-3
VISA CLERK I FSL-3, TEMPORARY POSITION ESTA-
BLISHED 11/30/76, FILLED
1/10/77, AND BECOMING PER-
MENENT 7/1/77.

LOCAL (IMMIGRANT VISAS):

CONSULAR INVEST.ESPE-
CIALIST FSL-8
SUPERVISORY CONSULAR
INVEST.SPECIALIST FSL-8
CONSULAR INVEST. AS-
ASSISTANT FSL-6
TWO (2) VISA ASSIS-
TANTS FSL-4
CRS S RECORD CLERK FSL-4
VISA RECORD CLERK FSL-3
VISA CLERK I FSL-3, TEMPORARY POSITION ESTA-
BLISHED 11/30/76, FILLED
1/10/77, AND BECOMING PER-
MANENT 7/1/77.
LOCAL (NONIMMIGRANT VISAS:
TWO (2) CONS. INVEST.
ASSISTANTS FSL-6
SECRETARY III FSL-3
THREE (3) VISA CLERKS FSL-3, ONE OF WHICH WAS ESTABLI-
SHED 2/23/76 AND FILLED
2/26/76.

LOCAL (REFUGEE PROGRAM, WHICH NOT OTHERWISE REPORTED

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ON IN THIS CONSULAR PACKAGE EXCEPT AS IT HAS DRAWN
ON THE SERVICES OF REGULAR CONSULAR STAFF):

TWO (2) CLERKS FSL-3, TEMPORARY POSITIONS ESTABLISHED 12/10/76, AND FILLED 1/12/77 AND 1/17/77, RESPECTIVELY, ONE OF WHICH BECOMES PERMANENT WHEN REFUGEE PROGRAM ENDS SOMETIME AFTER 6/1/77.

I. PROBLEMS UNIQUE TO BUENOS AIRES:

1. TERRORISM. ALTHOUGH TERRORIST ACTIVITY HAS BEEN REDUCED, MISSION PERSONNEL MUST CONTINUE TAKE APPROPRIATE PRECAUTIONS, INCLUDING THE SEARCHING OF THE SOME 500 TO 800 VISITORS TO CONSULAR SECTION DAILY, FULL AND CAREFUL--BUT ACCORDINGLY SLOW--CLEARANCE OF EACH NEW LOCAL EMPLOYEE (WHICH CAUSES DELAYS OF UP TO SIX WEEKS IN RECRUITING AND THEREFORE STAFFING GAPS), AND DEMORALIZING RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENTS OF AMERICAN PERSONNEL.

2. ARREST COMPLICATIONS. TERRORISM AND GOA'S RESPONSES THERE TO HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR KIDNAPPLING, DEATH AND/OR ARREST OF U.S. CITIZENS IN ARGENTINA. SUCH CASES DEMAND VIRTUALLY FULL TIME OF PROTECTION OFFICER WHO ALSO HAS BEEN POST'S ONLY PPT AND SCS OFFICER. CHAPLIN

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(SCHEDULE VI- FEDERAL BENEFITS, FRAUD, ETC. CONT.)
(SEE ITEM 3, BELOW, RE LOSS OF SECOND OFFICER TO
REFUGEE PAROLE PROGRAM). THESE CASES ALSO REQUIRE
CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION OF LOCAL SCS SPECIALIST AND
OTHER CONSULAR AND EMBASSY STAFF. IN TWO SUCH
CASES, THOSE OF FATHER WEEKS AND MS. ERB, THE TASK
OF LOCATING THE TWO INCARCERATED AMERICANS, ASSISTING
THEM, REPLYING TO CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT THEM, AND
ON WASHINGTON'S URGING BECAUSE OF SPECIAL POLITICAL
INTEREST IN CASES, VISITING THEM AT SOME DISTANCE FROM
BUENOS AIRES WITH GREATER FREQUENCY THAN MIGHT OTHER-
WISE HAVE HAPPENED, PPT-AND-SCS OFFICER AND SCS
SPECIALIST SPENT ABOUT 400 AND 260 HQHS, RESPECTIVELY.
IN THE CONNECTION, SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT UNDER
CURRENT STATE-OF-SIEGE LAWS AND DESPITE ITS OBLIGATIONS
UNDER GENEVA CONSULAR CONVENTION, GOA (INTERIOR MINISTRY)
USUALLY GRANTS CONSULAR ACCESS TO AMERICANS ARRESTED ON
SUSPICION OF INVOLVEMENT WITH SUBVERSION OR TERRORISM
ONLY AFTER EMBASSY HAS PRESSED CONSIDERABLY FOR IT. FOR SUCH
ARRESTEES, TOO, IT IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO SECURE SERVICES OF
ARGENTINE ATTORNEY, AND CONSULAR OFFICER MUST ASSUME MANY ASPECTS
OF THAT ROLE TO INSURE THAT DUE PROCESS IS GIVEN TO
ARRESTEE. DESPITE MANY PROTESTS, GOA CONTINUES
TO FAIL TO COMPLY WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER
GENEVA CONSULAR CONVENTION TO NOTIFY EMBASSY WHEN
U.S. CITIZEN ARRESTED OR TO INFORM HIM OF HIS RIGHT
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TO CONTACT CONSULAR OFFICER. THIS FAILURE INCREASES
OUR WORKLOAD CONSIDERABLY IN INDIVIDUAL CASES.

3. NEW REFUGEE PAROLE PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM, FOR
CHILEANS, BOLIVIANS AND URUGUAYANS IN ARGENTINA,
BEGAN IN DEC 1976, AND ADDED TO ORDERS OF REGULAR
CONSULAR STAFF. SECOND PPT-AND-SCS OFFICER POSITION
WAS FILLED 12/30/76, BUT BY MID-JAN, THIS OFFICER
WAS DIVERTED TO REFUGEE PROGRAM FULL-TIME. SINCE
MID-APR THIS OFFICER HAS BEEN ABLE TO SPEND FOUR
HOURS EACH DAY ASSISTING IN NIV'S, DURING UNANTICIPATED
NIV SURGE.

4. BABY FRAUD. IT REMAINS FAIRLY EASY TO ACQUIRE
POSSESSION OF ORPHANED OR ABANDONED CHILDREN IN

ARGENTINA ILLEGALLY. U.S. CITIZENS AND RESIDENTS
CONTINUE TO REGISTER THEIR ACQUISITIONS WITH GOA
AUTHORITIES AS THEIR NATURAL CHILDREN AND THEN TRY
TO PASS THEM OFF ON PPT UNIT AS U.S. CITIZENS ENTITLED
TO DOCUMENTATION. ON AVERAGE ONE SUCH CASE OCCURS
EACH MONTH. THE INORDINATE AMOUNT OF TIME AND

EFFORT PPT UNIT MUST SPEND ON THEM IN INTERVIEWING AND INVESTIGATING IS NOT RPT NOT REFLECTED IN RAW BIRTH REPORT STATISTICS OF SCHEDULE IV, ABOVE. THESE CASES EVENTUALLY REACH IV UNIT (AS ORPHANS ADOPTED OR TO BE ADOPTED) AND, BECAUSE OF COMPLEXITY OF THE DOCUMENTATION INVOLVED, CONSUME AN INORDINATE AMOUNT OF IV UNIT'S TIME AS WELL, WHICH NOT RPT NOT REFLECTED IN RAW STATISTICS OF IV CASES IN SCHEDULE I, ABOVE.

5. FIRST TIME APPLICANT COMPLEXITIES. POST CONTINUES TO HAVE AS FIRST TIME APPLICANTS FOR DOCUMENTATION AS U.S. CITIZENS CONSIDERABLE NO. OF OLDER PERSONS IN THEIR SEVENTIES AND EIGHTIES, MOSTLY ITALIAN. OFTEN UNCLASSIFIED

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APPLICANT IS NOT RPT NOT HIMSELF TRAVELING, BUT WISHES ESTABLISH U.S. CITIZENSHIP FOR IV ELIGIBILITY OF SON OR DAUGHTER. THESE CASES TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME TO INVESTIGATE AND PREPARE FOR DEPT'S DECISION.

6. SOCIAL SECURITY COMPLEXITIES. SOCIAL SECURITY CASES HERE TAKE MORE TIME TO HANDLE THAN ELSEWHERE. LARGE PROPORTION OF BENEFICIARIES ARE UNEDUCATED AND UNSKILLED, DO NOT UNDERSTAND SIGNIFICANCE OF WHAT IS TOLD THEM, AND NEED EXTRA TIME FOR EXPLANATIONS.

7. EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION DUTIES. SOME 300 LOCAL PPT MANHOURS SPENT EACH YEAR PREPARING, CORRECTING, FILING AND DESTROYING AMERICAN-CITIZEN LOCATOR CARDS FOR USE IN POSSIBLE EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION SITUATION, A TASK NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO PPT WORK.

8. LETTER TO ASSIST AMERICANS. SCS ASSISTANT SPENDS SOME 210 HOURS EACH YEAR PREPARING OVER 600 NOTES AND LETTERS TO VARIOUS GOA AUTHORITIES (FONMIN, IMMIGRATION, CUSTOMS, POLICE, CHILD WELFARE) REQUIRED BY THESE GOA AUTHORITIES IN MOST INSTANCES WHEN ALIEN (I.E., U.S. CITIZEN) HAS DEALINGS WITH THEM, E.G. RENEWAL OF STUDENT VISA, REQUEST FOR OUSTOM'S CLEARANCE OF OUTGOING PERSONAL EFFECTS. IN OTHER COUNTRIES, HOST GOVERNMENT PERMITS AND EXPECTS ALIEN TO DEAL WITH IT DIRECTLY WITH EMBASSY INTERVENTION.

9. TOURIST MAIL. NOTARIAL ASSISTANT SPENDS ABOUT 150 HOURS PER YEAR HANDLING SOME 2000 INCOMING LETTERS

FOR AMERICAN VISITORS ADDRESSED TO THEM CARE OF EMBASSY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPT.'S INSTRUCTIONS, POST HAS LOOKED INTO POSSIBILITY OF ABANDONING THIS SERVICE AND

TURNING ALL MAIL OVER TO GENERAL DELIVERY OF POST OFFICE,
BUT IN VIEW LOCAL CONDITIONS HAS DECIDED IT IS LESS WORK
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TO CONTINUE HANDLING THIS KIND OF MAIL ITSELF.
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10. NO AMERICAN SECRETARY. LACK OF AMERICAN
SECRETARY (EXCEPT TEMPORARY APPOINTEE IN REFUGEE
PAROLE PROGRAM) MAKES IT NECESSARY THAT OFFICERS DO
ALL CLERICAL WORK INVOLVED IN LARGE VOLUME OF
CLASSIFIED MATERIAL AND IN FILING AND RETRIEVING IN
ADDITION OF ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTROLLED MATERIAL
AND CATEGORY I VISA MATERIAL.

11. HIGH CORRESPONDENCE RATES. WE BELIEVE WE HAVE
A HEAVY CORRESPONDENCE WORKLOAD. IN FY1976, WE
ANSWERED 117 CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES. IN
FIRST SIX MONTHS OF FY1977, WE HANDLED 82 CONGRES-
SIONAL INQUIRIES, A RATE WE BELIEVE WILL HOLD STEADY
OR GROW, GIVING US AT LEAST 164 CONGRESSIONAL
INQUIRIES FOR ENTIRE FY1977. IN FY 1976, IV UNIT
MAILED OVER 20,000 LETTERS; NIV UNIT, SOME 1200
LETTERS AND 1200 TELEGRAMS. IN FY 1976, CONSULAR
SECTION RECEIVED OVER 25,000 PIECES OF CORRESPONDENCE
FOR FILING OR ANSWERING. VISA UNIT RECEIVES
15 LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONED INQUIRIES PER DAY (3900
IN FY 1976), AND 40 LOCAL TELEPHONED INQUIRIES PER

DAY (10,400 IN FY1976). THIS IS PARTLY
REFLECTION OF VASTENSS OF CONSULAR
DISTRICT (ONE POST FOR ALL OF ARGENTINA) AND
CORRESPONDING INABILITY OF DISTANT APPLICANTS
FOR CONSULAR SERVICES TO MAKE INQUIRIES BY PERSONAL
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12. SEE ALSO FOOTNOTES (D) AND (E) TO SCHEDULE II,
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Message Attributes

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Executive Order: N/A
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